

His first thought was that there was an explosion in the street lamp, underneath which he was just passing; but looking up he discerned that this could not be. He then supposed that it was a fire in the sky, but there was none of the well-known characteristics of this illumination of the heavens. The thought of meteors next occurred to him, but he saw no long streaks of light, and the appearance differed altogether from that of any he had ever seen, when large meteors had fallen in close proximity to him. The whole city was illuminated in a steady, evenly as day. He was looking up the street, and saw long shadows of trees, and then turned and looked down, seeing the whole length of the avenue to the light and the Canada shore beyond. The light came from a point about a minute. He described it as very peculiar. It was not a flash, nor yet a steady light, but seemed to come in waves, and he could think of no comparison.

This phenomenon was also witnessed at the Michigan Central was at the time passing along Third-street, near Howard, and his description of the appearance of the man with that given above. Another gentleman, who was in the room, also witnessed it. The same phenomenon was also seen at Ypsilanti by a gentleman who became somewhat nervous thereat.—Detroit Post.

THE SLANDERS ON GEN. GRANT.—The charge that Gen. Grant was intoxicated in the streets of Washington, at a certain definite time and place, is effectually refuted by the statement of Major General Alfred H. Terry, who was at that time in Washington, and in constant communication with the General. Concerning these scandalous rumors, the New York Evening Post says:

This is a pretty old story of Grant's drink-

—About a year ago, a resident of Georgia effected policies of insurance on his life and against accidents, to the amount of about \$100,000.

and some time afterward intelligence was sent to the insurance company that the man had been drowned by the upsetting of a boat on the Savannah river. The proofs of his death were clear and apparently conclusive, and his legatee claimed the payment of the policies. The company liable for the principal part of the amount declined to pay, and legal proceedings were instituted. A few days ago an agent of the company travelling in another State, discovered the supposed drowned man alive.

A mail-carrier and military escort of four men of the Pacific Railroad Survey were recently lost in the wilderness; but after seven days' wandering, during which they were near perishing of starvation, they found a military post.

—The Missouri Legislature is considering a bill to abolish capital punishment and substitute

by a Board of Pardon Commissioners, who, after receiving testimony, are to forward their decision to the Governor for final action.

—The Prince of Wales is said to be greatly in debt. His Cornwall mines do not supply him with the extraneous.

The Turks are again at war with Crete. It is evident that the rebellion is not subdued. Fighting is fierce as ever, and meanwhile the French Ambassador has just sent a note to the Porte, on the part of the Emperor, insisting that the Porte appoint a mixed commission to consult the people of Crete as to their wishes respecting the future of the island. The Porte has been demanded before and has been positively refused.

But the French will undoubtedly declare war if it is not done Russia will undoubtedly declare war against Turkey, and in such a case, France will remain neutral and remain perfectly so.

The Porter persisting in the most serious and formal manner that the Turks make an end of their attempt to deceive Europe, and at once constitute Crete a Principality like Servia and Roumania. The gravity of this news can hardly be over-estimated. Poor Turkey is to be a principality like Serbia and she can against Russian Propagandism.

—The world will be hearing many of the notions of the new. In Paris the American horse-railroad is conspicuous among the public conveyances of the city. Hair-cutting in American style, American paper collars, American leather trunks, sewing machines, on the American model, American shirtings, one of the places in the city where you will find the finest-pools shops of Paris have been commending the style of new raw silk neck-ties, in black and various colors, that are everywhere exposed for sale as "*Cravates Americaines*." A

the town of Europe, went the other day into the famous tailor's to stock his trunk with garments of Parisian style before he should return home. Judge of his surprises when the salesman produced, as his most *recherché* novelties, what he declared were the latest New York styles, just received!

Two-and-a-half years ago, in the corner of the room and was playing with it—a plain stick bent at the end. Papa asked, "What are you doing with the cane?" "It isn't a cane," "What is it, then?" "It's an umbrella without any clothes on."

"Punch has a cartoon representing white-winged Pecos displaying to Napoleon his call for aid against the Emperor. The Emperor politely raises his head in reply to a query: *Pecos*—*Emp*, what does this mean? your Majesty?" "Emp, Napoleon," "Entire-

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• Victor Harnisch's new work will be entitled,
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• Colonel Isaac Clark, nephew of the ce-
 brated George Rogers Clark, and participant
 in the latter's campaign in the Northwest, aged
 eighty-two, died at Louisville on the 25th. He
 was unmarried, and left a large estate.

• Madame Marie Demas, wife of the young
 Demas, has published a novel on events in
 the late war in Austria.

• The Providence Herald has a puff for an
 "accomplished lake beauty" of that city.

• Uniforms are the rage. The letter carriers
 of New York are to be done up in dark blue
 with red trimmings.

• An athlete in Chattanooga has carried two
 barrels of flour, one under each arm, upwards
 of two hundred feet.

—A Paris jeweller has introduced a new style of scarf pin, in which a curious application of electricity is made. The pins are finished with imitation human heads, the eyes of which open or close at the will of the owner. The wearer is from necessity obliged to carry an electro-motor, consisting of a small brass case containing a simple voltaic battery of zinc and carbon, or zinc and platinum. The current flows in a vessel partly filled with a solution of sulphuric acid, and the zinc is introduced to the lid of the case. When the apparatus is placed in a horizontal position the current is formed. A scarf-pin with an electro-motor and connections comes from sixty franes upwards.

will soon publish a complete edition of his poetical works.

—A paper in Cologne after dwelling on the terrible state of Ireland, contrasts it with happy state of political freedom in France.

—The mobs of Venice are scandalized by the presumption of the young Duchess of Aosta, Victor Emmanuel's daughter-in-law, who has worn a "cheap and coarse" white lace white petticoat.

—The "Bols Brak" has very badly twisted in New Mexico in their transition from French or Spanish to English. The title called "Bols Brak" was originally "Bois Brak" and "Bois Long" was first called "Bois Blanc."

The curse which was applied to the Indians with their long black hair, was applied to the Mexicans who were called "vide poche" teams, which American ingenuity soon transformed to "Weed Bash" carts.

—A man escaped from the moving ice in the

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